

# BATTLES ARE RAGING WITH FURY AT ALL WAR FRONTS

## Struggle Between British and Germans North of Somme Continues With Unabated Fierceness and Successes Uncertain

### FRENCH CLAIM MORE GAINS NEAR VERDUN

### Both Russians and Teutonic Powers Report Advances In Eastern Theater, While Britons Are Reversed In Asia Minor Zone

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, July 20.—The struggle between the Germans and the British north of the Somme river is still raging with unabated fury. Tuesday night the Germans, by surprise, succeeded in winning back some of the ground they had lost east of Longueval and in the Delville wood, and in holding it against the immediate counter-attacks launched by the British.

Last night the official communiqué reported that the troops under Gen. Sir Douglas Haig, by combined artillery and infantry attack, had again wrested the ground from the Germans and beaten back with their artillery all efforts of the Teutonic commanders to mass for another attack on the Delville wood.

London Admits Reverse

Earlier in the day Berlin reported that the German troops had recaptured Longueval, and the Delville wood, taking three hundred British prisoners in their attack. London admitted this reverse, and reported that the Teutons were attempting to force the British out of the positions they had won at Hazentin.

At this last point, said the British official report, the German commanders had massed heavy reinforcements and the fighting was exceedingly desperate, but the attacks failed under the concentrated fire of the British artillery.

French Capture Trenches

South of the river the French are again attacking, and last night Paris reported the capture of a number of trenches from the Germans, as well as the repulse of a number of Teutonic attacks on their lines. The French official communiqué also announced that the Germans had made a number of unsuccessful attacks on the Belgian lines in the neighborhood of Paschendaele and Prozy.

At Verdun, say the French statements, the Germans are shelling the positions of the French on Hill 304 and in the Fleury sector. This bombardment is taken to indicate a series of fresh infantry attacks. A number of hand grenade attacks were made by the German troops in the Fleury sector and some progress was made.

Both Sides Claim Advances

In the eastern fighting the claims of the enemies are flatly contradictory. South of Riga there has been some heavy artillery and infantry work. Petrograd claims to have made advances, and Berlin asserts with equal positiveness that the Germans repulsed the Russian assaults. The German general staff, however, admits that the Russians are still hammering at the northern front.

In the official Russian statement last night it was announced that the Russians have made considerable advances through the passes in the Carpathians leading to the plains of Hungary and have penetrated a full day's march into that country. The despatches add that the Slav forces, under the command of General Letichitzky, are now threatening the rear of the Austrian armies farther north.

Vienna Reports Successes

Vienna reports officially that the Russians in Galicia and east of the Carpathians have suffered a severe reverse, having been driven back of the Pruth river southwest of Delatyn.

In the Asia Minor campaign against the Turks the Russians say that they have made gains south of Trebizond, and Constantinople claims to have driven the British on the Euphrates out of the advanced positions for eight gains. The Turks also claim to have repulsed Italian attacks at Mesopotamia.

A Berlin despatch yesterday afternoon announced the success of a bombardment by German naval aircraft of the Russian harbor of Revel, Gulf of Finland. Bombs were dropped on Russian cruisers and other warships and numerous hits observed. One submarine was hit four times.

Dissatisfaction is again voiced by the British newspapers at the inadequacy and vagueness of the British official reports.

The reticence or silence of Gen. Sir Douglas Haig's communications on important points is compared with the readiness with which the French and Russian commanders give details of the operations and with the much greater latitude permitted to special correspondents on the western front since the beginning of the battle.

That the British authorities fully realize that their hard task is far from ended is indicated by the steps which are being taken by the ministry of mu-

# Paralysis Claims New Victim In Fifth Avenue Home

## Thirty Deaths and 143 New Cases Reported In Greater New York

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, July 20.—With thirty additional deaths and 142 new cases of infantile paralysis reported yesterday the scourge leaped the bounds it has hitherto marked out for itself, left the tenements and poor sections and found lodgement in one of the exclusive Fifth Avenue homes.

In spite of the increased number of deaths and new cases the local health authorities and the Federal experts who are at work here, announced that in their opinion it will not be necessary to establish a federal quarantine.

They believe they can control the spread of the disease without having to resort to such means.

# LONGSHOREMEN WILL QUIT STRIKE TODAY

## Union Leaders Say Men Will Return To Work

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, July 20.—Union officials announced last night that all the longshoremen who have been out on strike, excepting those loading lumber, will return to work this morning.

Eighty of the stevedores went back to work yesterday, and it was thought for a time that others would follow their example at this time. These held off, however, until this morning.

Reports of serious split in the ranks of the strikers are now current. It is asserted that the local riggers and stevedores will break away from the district organization.

# LA FOLLETTE HOLDS UP NAVAL MEASURE

## Senator From Wisconsin Attacks Defense Program As Needless

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, July 20.—Senator La Follette, in a bitter attack upon the preparedness program of the administration, succeeded in preventing the final vote on the naval appropriation bill in the senate yesterday.

He declared that the measure would bring the total load upon the already bending backs of the American people up to \$884,000,000.

"If all this preparedness is necessary now why was it not necessary four years ago, when this administration went into office?" he asked, amid the cheers of the Republican members.

Continuing he declared that the thousands of men who have marched in the preparedness parades did so because their employers threatened to reduce their wages unless this was done. He accused the need for a greater navy and army.

# KOREAN PRINCE MAY MARRY A JAPANESE

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji)  
TOKIO, July 20.—Ri-Kon, eldest son of the former king of Korea, will marry a princess of the imperial family of Japan in the near future. He was educated at the Central Military Preparatory School here, and is now twenty years old. The Emperor is said to favor the plan and is believed to be favoring with members of the imperial family, who have daughters less than twenty years old.

# SWISS MINISTER TALKS OF PEACE IN WASHINGTON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, July 19.—Dr. Paul Bitter, the Swiss minister here today called at the state department, and discussed with Counselor Polk the prospects for peace in Europe. After the conference he said that their talk had no tangible results.

# ENGINES AND BOILERS OF STEAMER BEAR GOOD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, July 20.—The wrecked steamer Bear has been pumped out and her engines and boilers have been found to be in good condition. No announcement has been made whether an attempt to float her will be tried.

# Munitions Must Be Supplied

The huge expenditures of munitions in the Somme battle has been the theme of all despatches from the front, and the nation is aware that nothing must be allowed to interfere with the maintenance of a full supply.

An Algerian despatch says that the Italian steamer Angelo has been sunk by a submarine without casualties. The Greek steamer Evangelista is also believed to have been submerged in the Mediterranean.

# RIVAL FACTIONS MAY SPLIT DRYS

## Organization Leaders Predict Nomination of J. F. Hanly By Prohibition Convention

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
ST. PAUL, July 20.—With delegates present from every State in the Union, the national prohibition party convention was called to order yesterday.

Meetings of the rival factions preceded the session, some favoring the nomination of J. Frank Hanly, former governor of Indiana, for President, and others the nomination of former Governor William Sulzer of New York. Organization leaders last night predicted the election of Hanly.

Eugene W. Chaffin, the veteran prohibition party worker, has been mentioned as a compromise candidate, since the bitterness of the Hanly-Sulzer contest is increasing.

Robert H. Patton of Springfield, Illinois was made permanent chairman this afternoon. His declaration that only national prohibition "would solve the biggest question in the history of the country" drew a demonstration.

# DEATHS FROM FLOOD HAVE REACHED FORTY

## Property Losses In Southeast Nearly Twenty Millions

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
ATLANTA, July 19.—The toll of death by storm was largely increased today when it became known that eleven persons were drowned in the villages of Bat Cave and Chimney Rock, Rutherford County, North Carolina.

The flood has now killed forty persons and perhaps a number more. Six are missing and fears for their safety are entertained. The waters in South Carolina are still rising, but elsewhere the floods are going down.

The damage done to property can only be estimated from the scanty reports that have been received in the central cities, but it certainly has passed the staggering total of \$15,000,000, and may go to \$20,000,000 when the last accounts are in.

The little mountain town of Chimney Rock has been wiped out from the floods that have swept down from the mountains to the north. Chimney Rock has a population of 150 people.

# HUGHES ISSUES CALL FOR PARTY HARMONY

## Says Factional Fighting In Republican Ranks Must Stop

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, July 19.—A declaration that factional fighting in national Republican councils must cease was made today by Candidate Charles E. Hughes.

He told callers at Republican headquarters that the disunion among his supporters must be ended.

He expects all factions to get together, subordinate petty differences and work for the election of the national ticket.

# TUAN KI SAI TO BE VICE-PRESIDENT

(Special Cablegram to Liberty News.)  
SHANGHAI, July 19.—Tuan Ki Sai, premier of China, will be the next vice-president of the Chinese Republic, according to the report from Peking today.

It is thought that the parliament will elect him at the first meeting. Enough votes have already been pledged to secure his election. Kong Tsao Yi will be the new premier of China, according to well informed reports received from Peking. He is a Cantonese, and his election to the premiership would tend to bind the warring factions together.

Kong Tsao Yi was at one time ambassador to the United States.

# FOREMOST JAPANESE FINANCIER TO RETIRE

(Special Cablegram to Hawaii Shippu.)  
TOKIO, July 20.—Baron E. Shibusawa, foremost among Japanese business men, announced last night that he intends to retire from active life. He has for many years been a leader in commercial and financial matters in the empire, having been head of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce, president of the First National Bank and the Shibusawa Bank.

He recently returned from a trip to the United States, where he received a warm welcome from American business men.

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# GENERAL BRIGADIERS ADDED TO FORCES AT MEXICAN LINE

## Generals Morton, Dodd, Adams and Plummer, Recently Promoted, Assigned To Border

### MILITIAMEN DISCHARGED TO CARE FOR DEPENDENTS

### Thousands of Others Have Applied For Discharge From Service On Same Account

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, July 20.—The war department last night notified General Funston, in command of the troops at the border, of the following assignments of the newly promoted brigadier-generals to command under him:

Brig-Gen. Charles G. Morton, formerly colonel of the Fifth Infantry, stationed at Mission, California, to command of the Canal Zone, to command of the Seventh Infantry brigade, with headquarters at Douglas, Arizona.

Brig-Gen. George A. Dodd, formerly unattached colonel of cavalry, to command the second cavalry brigade with the punitive expedition under the command of General Pershing.

Brig-Gen. Granger Adams, formerly colonel of the Fifth Field Artillery, stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to command of the fifth and eighth artillery regiments, stationed at El Paso.

Militiamen Seek Discharge

Brig-Gen. Edward H. Plummer, formerly colonel of the Twenty-eighth Infantry, stationed at Mission, California, to command of the fourth infantry brigade, and ordered to report to Funston for assignment.

The war department announced last night that seventy-five militiamen have been discharged from the service because they have dependent relatives.

General Funston has received thousands of applications from men who wish their discharge on the same ground.

Following a lengthy discussion dealing chiefly with the powers of the joint commission which is to be appointed to confer on the matters in dispute between the United States and Mexico, and Senator Arredondo, ambassador-designate from Mexico, announced last night that the formal publication of the course of action upon which they have decided will be made very soon.

Plan Soon Announced

It is understood that the plan has been submitted to President Wilson and to General Carranza for the approval of the heads of the two governments. As soon as this is received the announcement of the plan will be made.

Ambassador Fletcher, who has been mentioned as a possible member of the commission, will not be named as it is believed that his usefulness in the City of Mexico, would be impaired. He is expected to return to the Mexican capital about the first of the coming month.

It was announced at the state department yesterday that there is no basis for the reports now current that the United States, in seeking to reach an agreement with the de facto government, is prepared to sacrifice anything that is deemed vital to the interests of the country. It was added that there is no intention of withdrawing the troops under General Pershing in Mexico.

Statement Not Authorized

This statement was made by Acting Secretary Polk following the receipt of word from the City of Mexico that General Obregon, the minister of war for the de facto government, has declared that the American troops would be withdrawn at once. Obregon said that he made the assertion on the authority of Consul Agent Rogers, and Mr. Polk emphasized the fact that Rogers had no authority for making such a statement.

A party of bandits, believed to have been Villista soldiers, attacked a train of the Mexico & Northwestern line near Santa Ysabel, yesterday, but was beaten back. Eight were made prisoners and taken to the City of Chihuahua.

# ASQUITH'S PLAN FOR ELECTION REBUFFED

## Parliament Opposes Suggestion Made By Prime Minister

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, July 20.—The Liberal government last night received its most severe rebuff since the outbreak of the war, when it proposed holding a general election as soon as parliament expires in November.

Mr. Asquith suggested that a committee be appointed to prepare for the election during the war, and immediately aroused great opposition. So general did this become that he withdrew the suggestion.

The attitude of parliament is taken here to be a reflection of the feeling of revolt against the government's creation of a multiplicity of committees during the war. This has been done to enable the government to dodge awkward subjects, declare members of the opposition.

The chamber went on record as endorsing suitable arrangements for the civic convention of 1917, in Honolulu, and Secretary Brown will answer inquiries and make arrangements accordingly.

# FORMER HONOLULU NURSE A SUICIDE

## News Has Been Received From Chicago of the Suicide There of Miss Amy O'Connor, Who Was for Several Years a Nurse in The Queen's Hospital. It Was Her Second Attempt at Suicide, a Former One Having Been Made Last February by Taking Morphine Tablets.

On July 6, Miss O'Connor was found dead in her bed, with the gas jets in her room turned on. Her sister and mother made the discovery. "Miss O'Connor was thirty-five years old. The cause of her suicide was nervous depression, according to the reports.

During her residence in Honolulu Miss O'Connor became known to many local folk, and physicians knew her as an efficient nurse. Her former attempt at suicide was on February 10, and she was in a serious condition for a time.

# MILITIA AT BORDER HAVE EXCELLENT CARE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, July 20.—The war department last night made public the formal report of Maj-Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, who has been inspecting the national guard camps at the border. General Bliss fully denies that the guards have been poorly fed and that they were not given good treatment while traveling to the border. He reports that the camps are excellent, sanitary and comfortable, and that the men are well fed and well sheltered.

# SEVEN FOOT BLUE NOSE SHARK CAUGHT IN NET

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
MATTAUW, New Jersey, July 20.—A seven-foot blue nose shark was caught yesterday in a net off the mouth of the creek where two of the recent victims of sharks were killed. The creature struggled so fiercely that he nearly overturned the boat carrying his captors.

# CRUISER BRINGS REFUGEES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SAN DIEGO, July 20.—Twelve American refugees from Mexico are expected here this morning on board the United States cruiser San Diego. Five members of the crew of the schooner "Sveithen", last reported at Flores, are said to have been seized by the Mexican authorities. No reason for this action is known here.

# TAX COLLECTIONS FOR YEAR GIVEN

## Total Territorial Receipts As Reported By Auditor Fisher, Are \$3,722,742.07

Territorial Auditor Fisher yesterday made public the total collection of taxes for the fiscal year ended June 30, last. In all, the taxpayers of the Islands paid into the coffers of Hawaii \$3,722,742.07. Of this sum the city of Honolulu paid \$2,118,067.78; Maui, \$597,303.05; Hawaii, \$659,900.44, and Kauai, \$346,604.20.

The figures made public by Mr. Fisher show the following to be the distribution of the taxes:

City and County of Honolulu—School fund, Territory, \$420,812.79; Territory, \$754,547.70; county, \$603, 125.00; road, \$104,327.06; special school fund, county, \$75,137.00; expense of collecting taxes, \$38,906; interest on bonds, \$17,407.51; sinking fund, \$9700.23.

County of Maui—School fund, Territory, \$138,174.40; Territory, \$81, 609.27; county, \$270,715.18; road, \$30, 903.10; special school fund, county, \$25,451.05; expense collecting taxes, \$15,384.80; interest on bonds, \$32, 113.33; sinking fund, \$14,792.60.

County of Hawaii—School fund, Territory, \$171,980.00; Territory, \$39, 425.60; county, \$357,195.93; road, \$50, 216.77; special school fund, county, \$56,733.73; expense collecting taxes, \$30,494.80; interest on bonds, \$27, 650.24; sinking fund, \$13,170.26.

County of Kauai—School fund, Territory, \$85,807.19; Territory, \$28, 149.70; county, \$150,588.94; road, \$47, 703.10; special school fund, county, \$28,525; expense collecting taxes, \$16, 762.40; interest on bonds, \$7,110.15; sinking fund, \$3,200.69.

# POLICE OFFICER CHILTON RESIGNS FROM FORCE

## Motorcycle Officer Turns In Badge At Request of Acting Sheriff Asch

Motorcycle Officer Willmont R. Chilton, at the request of Acting Sheriff Julius Asch, yesterday tendered his resignation from the Honolulu police department. It was accepted.

The removal of Chilton from the department follows, according to acting sheriff, a series of misunderstandings between Asch and the motorcycle officer, for some time. Yesterday, feeling that Chilton was no longer valuable as a police officer, Asch asked for his resignation.

Chilton was the first motorcycle officer in the police service in Honolulu, acting in the capacity for about six years. He was recently accused by Judge Monarrat of perjury, and arraigned before the civil service commission. Previous to this, he was indicted by the grand jury on a charge of conspiracy in connection with the Jack Sully case. He was found not guilty of the charge by a jury.

Chilton's action as a motorcycle officer has been under much criticism for a long time past, and it is said that they may now be the subject of a grand jury investigation. It is stated that there are features of the disagreements between him and the sheriff's office which may cause an inquiry regarding Chilton's conduct as a police officer.

# CIVIC CONVENTION MAY COME IN 1917

## Chamber of Commerce Endorses Suitable Arrangements To Secure Conference Next Year

The chamber of commerce yesterday afternoon went on record as favoring extensive arrangements for the civic convention to be held here in 1917. The convention of the year is to be in Hilo, in September, Secretary Raymond C. Brown said at the meeting that it was time for the chamber to express itself regarding arrangements for the next one in order that he might answer inquiries that were coming in.

Hilo is spending thirty-five hundred or four thousand dollars on arrangements for the convention this year," said Brown, "and I would like instructions as to how the chamber regards the proposition of preparing for the convention following, which is to be held here in September, 1917."

F. W. Macfarlane said that the matter will be passed up to the Ad Club. President W. R. Farrington of the Ad Club said that the club had already endorsed it. He added that the heads of the business houses ought to attend the civic conventions, so as to make the conventions' actions more binding.

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# COMPENSATION ACT WORKS WITH VENGEANCE

In the short time in which the workmen's compensation act has been operative, the city has been charged with a \$5020.32 liability on account of deaths and injuries received by employees.

In place of taking out insurance to protect it from losses occasioned through accidents to its employees, the municipality has established a fund which is provided for in the semi-annual budgets.

So far the city has had to pay for three deaths and one injury; which makes a total liability in the amount stated, aside from the cost of hospital bills and medical treatment.

Mrs. F. Wright, whose husband, a police officer, was killed in line with duty, was allowed forty dollars a month for six years; Mrs. John Aylett, whose husband lost his life in an accident, was given a compensation at the rate of five dollars and seventy-seven cents for six weeks; and Mrs. Hokela, Fern, whose brother was killed, was allowed two dollars and eighty-eight cents for a period of 312 weeks.

The act has been in effect for almost an even year.

# SCHOOLBOY IS SHOT AND DIES IN HOSPITAL

The old "dime" story it was loaded with was repeated in news that came from Kauai yesterday of a fatal accident which occurred in Hanalei last Saturday evening.

The fourteen-year-old son of Mui Chong, a lad who had just returned from school in Honolulu, was the victim. He was playing with some other youngsters in the store of a merchant named Awa, and the boys took a revolver from Awa's bed. They unloaded it as they thought, but a few minutes later it was discharged, and young Chong received a bullet in the abdomen. He died in Makaweli hospital.

Investigation by the police showed that the case was entirely one of accident. The boys playing with the pistol thought it was not loaded.

# ACCIDENTS REPORTED TO UTILITIES COMMISSION

The public utilities commission held a meeting yesterday afternoon, with A. J. Gignoux presiding, in the absence of C. R. Forbes, chairman. J. N. S. Williams was the only other member present. The meeting was mainly devoted to the reading of a long list of petty accidents reported, in legal form, by various utility corporations.

# SUBSEA NETS ARE MENACE

## Little Diving Freighter Brought Across Atlantic By Germans Ready At Midnight To Sail From Baltimore On Her Return Trip

### SISTER SHIP BREMEN MAY HAVE BEEN SUNK

### With This Specter Haunting Them Captain and Sailors of Deutschland Ask Friends To Pray For Their Safe Passage Back

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
BALTIMORE, July 20.—With her booms stowed inboard and her conning tower closed for submerging, the German submarine here last night ready to sail at a moment's notice. At midnight a tug moved alongside, under full steam, as though prepared to tow the undersea freighter to the entrance of the bay, off Old Point Comfort, and a patrol launch moved back and forth guarding the queer-looking craft.

When a launch filled with newspaper men, assigned to "cover" the Deutschland, drew into the vicinity of the ship the patrol launch hailed the crowd of reporters and told them to leave at once.

"You are interfering seriously with our plans," sang out one of the men in the launch. Several times efforts were made to induce the reporters to leave the scene, but in vain.

Crew Fears Floating Nets

The members of the crew of the Deutschland are said to be exceedingly anxious regarding their return trip. They are afraid they will share the fate many of them believe has befallen the Bremen sister ship of the Deutschland. Friends of the men declare that before going on board last night several of them asked for prayers for their safety and particularly that they might escape the nets in the British Channel which are the greatest menace to the submarine craft, such as theirs.

It is this, they believe, that had happened to the Bremen. They think that she has been snared, and forced to drop to the bottom of the channel and there await the coming of the end, with lights out and the air going fast until suffocation overtakes all on board and they die.

Guns Are No Menace

It was pointed out that when the engines of one of this type of submarine stop the lights go out and the circulation of the air over the chemicals arranged to keep it fresh also stops and suffocation comes quickly.

"We do not fear the guns of the enemy," said one of the members of the crew yesterday, in bidding some friends here goodbye, "but those deadly nets that entangle us and from which, once we are foul of them there is no escape."

Captain Koenig yesterday cancelled all of the engagements he had made with friends ashore, and issued a call to his men to do the same and to get aboard last night. The harbor authorities yesterday redoubled their precautions to protect the submarine, stretching a screen so that the public could not see what was being done.

# SENATE RETAINS ARMOR PLATE SECTION IN BILL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, July 19.—By a vote of fifty-one to seventeen the motion of Senator George T. Oliver of Pennsylvania was rejected by the senate today, when he moved to strike the government armor plate section from the naval bill. He tried to get the armor plate question referred to the federal trade commission. He is a Republican.

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